PUBLIC NOTICE DOG OWNERS City of Eastport

All dogs kept within the City <u>must be licensed</u> for the "2024" year by <u>December 31st, 2023</u>.

M.R.S.A. Title 7, Sect. 3921

License Necessary: A dog <u>may not</u> be kept within the State, unless the dog has been licensed by its owner or keeper in accordance with the laws of this State.

M.R.S.A. Title 7, Sect. 3922

- 1. Each owner or keeper of a dog at the age of 6 months or more, on or before January 1st of each year, shall obtain a license.
- 2. A Clerk may not issue a license for a dog until the applicant has filed with the clerk **proof that the dog has been immunized against** rabies.

<u>Late Fees</u>: An owner or keeper required to license a dog under Section 3922, Subsection 1 or Section 3923-C, Subsection 1 and applying for a license for that dog **after January 31**st shall pay to the municipal clerk's office, dog licensing agent, or dog recorder; a late fee of \$25.00 in addition to the annual license fee paid. As per the State, the City <u>cannot</u> waive late fees.

The new tags for licensing of the 2024 are available at the office of the municipal clerk at City Hall.

<u>NOTE</u>: The State allows through the end of January (1/31/2024) to complete dog registrations and a late fee of \$25.00 (per dog) is imposed effective February 1st, 2024. This fee <u>cannot</u> be waived by the municipality.